FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

December 31, 2007

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

To the Board of Directors Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial position of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (a nonprofit corporation) as of December 31, 2007, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The summarized comparative information has been derived from the Corporation's financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2006, and in our report dated October 12, 2007, we expressed an unqualified report on those financial statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training as of December 31, 2007, and the changes in net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated August 25, 2008, on our consideration of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

We conducted our audit for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training taken as a whole. The accompanying combined statement of activities on pages 11 and 12 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Metairie, Louisiana August 25, 2008

Cassio & Schmidt, RRC.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2007

		Memorandum Only December 31, 2006
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 51,493	\$ 42,594
Grants receivable (Notes A5 and B)	124,858	<u>113,419</u>
Total current assets	176,351	156,013
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT -		
At cost (Note A6)	35,000	35,000
Automotive equipment	12 125	1275
Less accumulated depreciation	$\frac{13,125}{21,875}$	$\frac{4,375}{30,625}$
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Total assets	\$ <u>198,226</u>	\$ <u>186,638</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$ <u>8,043</u>	\$ <u>30,271</u>
Total current liabilities	8,043	<u>30,271</u>
COMMITMENT (Note D)	-	-
NET ACCEPTO		
NET ASSETS Unrestricted	150,119	156,367
Temporarily restricted (Note E)	40,064	130,307
remporarily resulteted (Note E)	<u> </u>	_
Total Net Assets	<u>190,183</u>	<u>156,367</u>
Total Liabilities and		
Net Assets	\$ <u>198,226</u>	\$ <u>186,638</u>

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended December 31, 2007

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total	Memorandum Only Year ended December 31,2006
REVENUES				
Grants	\$ -	\$ 468,966	\$ 468,966	\$ 490,771
Contributions	11,459	-	11,459	89,500
Other	3,200	-	3,200	63,982
Net assets released				
from restriction	<u>428,902</u>	(<u>428,902</u>)		
Total Revenues	443,561	(40,064)	483,625	<u>644,253</u>
EXPENSES				
Personnel	260,798	-	260,798	238,197
Fringe benefits	13,574	-	13,574	42,637
Stipends	-	-	•	3,914
Travel	14,746	=	14,746	22,199
Operating services	69,334	-	69,334	62,791
Operating supplies	53,570	-	53,570	90,259
Professional services	27,267	-	27,267	42,463
Equipment	220	-	220	40,256
Depreciation	8,750	-	8,750	4,375
Other	<u>1,550</u>	-	<u>1,550</u>	
Total Expenses	449,809		449,809	<u>547,091</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	(6,248)	40,064	33,816	97,162
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>156,367</u>		<u>156,367</u>	59,205
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ <u>150,119</u>	\$ <u>40.064</u>	\$ <u>190,183</u>	\$ <u>156,367</u>

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended December 31, 2007

,		Memorandum Only Year ended December 31, 2006
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Grant revenue Other	\$ 457,527 <u>14,659</u> 472,186	\$ 440,272 <u>93,482</u> 533,754
Payments to employees and suppliers	<u>463,287</u>	(<u>518,222</u>)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	8,899	15,532
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:	-	-
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		 _
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	8,899	15,532
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	42,594	27,062
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	\$ <u>51,493</u>	\$ <u>42,594</u>
RECONCILIATION OF INCREASE IN NET ASSETS TO NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in net assets	\$ _33,816	\$ <u>97,162</u>
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation (Increase) decrease in grants receivable Increase (decrease) in accounts payable Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	8,750 (11,439) (22,228)	4,375 (50,499) 24,494 (25,000)
Non-cash contribution, automobile	(<u>24,917</u>)	(<u>35,000</u>) (<u>81,630</u>)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ <u>8,899</u>	\$ <u>15,532</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2007

NOTE A - SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the Corporation's significant accounting policies consistently applied in the preparation of the accompanying financial statements follow.

1. Nature of Activities

Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training is a nonprofit Louisiana corporation established to assist members of the Vietnamese community to develop social, economic, recreational and educational programs, and in launching and successfully operating new business ventures. Operations began in October 2001.

2. Presentation of Financial Statements

The Corporation's financial statements are presented in accordance with the requirements established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) as set forth in the Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 117, "Financial Statements of Not-For-Profit Organizations." Accordingly, the net assets of the corporation are classified to present the following classes: (a) unrestricted net assets, (b) temporarily restricted net assets, and (c) permanently restricted net assets. There were no permanently restricted net assets.

Net assets of the restricted class are created only by donor-imposed restrictions on their use. All other net assets, including board-designated or appropriated amounts, are legally unrestricted, and are reported as part of the unrestricted class.

3. Revenue Recognition

For financial reporting, the corporation recognizes all contributed support as income in the period received. Contributed support is reported as unrestricted or restricted depending on the existence of donor stipulations that limit the use of the support. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, temporarily restricted net assets and permanently restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the statement of activity as "net assets released from restrictions".

Grant revenue is recognized as it is earned in accordance with approved contracts.

4. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

December 31, 2007

NOTE A - SHMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

5. Receivables

The corporation considers accounts receivable to be fully collectible since the balance consists principally of payments due under governmental contracts. If amounts due become uncollectible, they will be charged to operations when that determination is made.

6. Property and Equipment

Donated assets are recorded at the estimated value at the time of donation. Depreciation is provided for in amounts sufficient to relate the cost of depreciable assets to operations over their estimated service lives, principally on the straight line method. Depreciation expense for the year amounted to \$8,750.

It is the policy of the corporation to capitalize all property and equipment with an acquisition cost in excess of \$5,000.

7. Advertising Expenses

Advertising expenses are expensed as incurred, and amounted to \$235 for the year.

8. <u>Income Taxes</u>

The Corporation is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

9. Fair Values of Financial Instruments

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents reported in the statement of financial position approximate fair values because of the short maturities of those instruments.

10. Cash Equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, the Corporation considers all investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

11. Total Memorandum Only

Total columns are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented only to assist with financial analysis. Data in these columns do not present financial position, results of operations or changes in net assets in conformity with generally accepted principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

December 31, 2007

NOTE B - GRANTS RECEIVABLE

Grants receivable at December 31,2007, are as follows:

Community Development Block Grant	\$	25,000
Louisiana Department of Education		
21st Century Community Learning Centers		66,901
After School - TANF		18,505
Louisiana Department of Social Services EITC-DSS		6,477
Louisiana Recovery School District	_	7,975
·	\$	124,858

NOTE C - SCHEDULE OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES

	Program		
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>General</u>	_Total_
Personnel	\$ 254,251	\$ 6,547	\$ 260,798
Fringe benefits	11,448	2,126	13,574
Travel	13,233	1,513	14,746
Operating services	56,471	12,863	69,334
Operating supplies	52,016	1,554	53,570
Professional services	21,488	5,779	27,267
Equipment	220	_	220
Depreciation	-	8,750	8,750
Other		<u> 1,550</u>	<u>1,550</u>
Total	\$ <u>409,127</u>	\$ <u>40,682</u>	\$ <u>449,809</u>

NOTE D - OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENT

The Corporation has a 5 year operating lease for its program activities and administrative office at \$2,700 per month which expires May, 2012. Rental expenses for the year ended December 31, 2007 amounted to \$25,500.

NOTE E - TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

As of December 31, 2007, temporarily restricted net assets consisted of the following:

After School TANF	\$ 31,064
Global Fund for Children	9,000
	\$ <u>40,064</u>

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

December 31, 2007

NOTE F - BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION

The Board of Directors is a voluntary board; therefore, no compensation was paid to any board member.

NOTE G - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Corporation receives a substantial amount of its revenue from funds provided through governmental grants. The grant amounts are administered each year by the State of Louisiana and the City of New Orleans. If significant budget cuts are made at the State or City level, the amount of the funds the organization receives could be reduced significantly and have an adverse impact on its operations. At the time of completion of the examination of the Corporation's financial statements, management was not aware of any actions taken that would adversely affect the amount of funds the organization will receive in the next fiscal year.

Approximately 97% of the corporation's support for the year was from governmental grants.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year ended December 31, 2007

\$ 25,000	8,612 - 3,881 12,507 - -	,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
After School Summer Alliance \$ 50,000	38,581 1,733 40 5,336 4,310	ı	· ·	
After School Summer LFRC.	18,775 2,255 1,966 11,191 12,313 3,500	1	1 1	
After School TANE	63,339 1,248 2,366 16,363 14,104 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	31,064	\$ 31,064	
21st Century \$ 131,493	96,048 3,273 4,657 3,937 6,090 17,488	1	· .	
REVENUE Grant appropriations Contributions Other Total Revenue	EXPENSES Personnel Fringe benefits Travel Operating services Operating supplies Professional services Equipment Depreciation Other Total expenses	INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	

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VIETNAMESE INITIATIVES IN ECONOMIC TRAINING COMBINED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - Continued

Year ended December 31, 2007

Total \$ 468,966 \$ 11,459 \$ 3,200 \$ 483,625	260,798 13,574 14,746 69,334 53,570 27,267 27,267 8,750 8,750 1,550 449,809	33,816	156,367	4120,102
\$ 22,975 11,459	6,547 2,126 1,513 12,863 1,554 5,779 -	2,502	125,742	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
Property and Equipment	8,750 	(8,750)	30,625	0.177
United Way. \$ 27,517	12,475 1,614 1,534 9,101 2,293 500 -	i	1 1) }
\$ 26,477	16,421 1,325 2,670 5,662 399 - -	•	· ·	
Global Fund For Children \$ 10,000	1,000	000'6	000.6	
REVENUE Grant appropriations Contributions Other Total Revenue	EXPENSES Personnel Fringe benefits Travel Operating services Operating supplies Professional services Equipment Depreciation Other Total expenses	INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training

We have audited the financial statements of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training (a nonprofit corporation) as of December 31, 2007 and for the year then ended, and have issued our report thereon dated August 25, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and preforming our audit, we considered Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training's internal control over financial reporting, as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training's internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2008 - 1.

Vietnamese Initiative in Economic Training's response to the finding identified our audit is described in their Corrective Action Plan on page 16. We did not audit the response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information of the audit committee, management, Louisiana Legislative Auditor, others within the organization, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. Under Louisiana revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

Casico + Schmich, LLC

Metairie, Louisiana August 25, 2008

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Year ended December 31, 2007

AUDIT FINDINGS

COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS

2008 - 1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - LATE FILING

Condition: Vietnamese Initiatives in Economic Training had an approved extension to August 15,

2008, and had applied for a second extension. The report was filed August 29, 2008,

which constitutes a late filing.

Criteria: The financial statements should be filed within six months of the year end, plus any

additional time approved by the Legislative Auditor.

Effect: The financial statements were not timely filed.

Recommendation: We recommend that the financial statements be filed timely.

Response: See Corrective Action Plan.

QUESTIONED COSTS

There were no questioned costs for the year ended December 31, 2007.

MANAGEMENT LETTER

A management letter was not issued for the year ended December 31, 2007.

STATUS OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

There were no prior year audit findings.



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CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

We will file the financial statements within six months of our December 31 year end in the future.